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Provisional agenda of the Legal and Technical Commission¹

1. Opening of the session.
2. Adoption of the agenda.
3. Election of the Chair and the Vice-Chair.

A. Activities of contractors

4. Report on the status of contracts for exploration.
5. Consideration of the annual reports of contractors.²
6. Information on the periodic review of implementation of the plan of work for exploration for polymetallic nodules by the Government of India.²
7. Consideration of draft recommendations for the guidance of contractors relating to the implementation of training obligations.
8. Selection of candidates for training.

B. Applications for approval of plans of work for exploration

9. Consideration of applications for approval of plans of work for exploration³ for:
 - (a) Cobalt-rich ferromanganese crusts;
 - (b) Polymetallic nodules;
 - (c) Polymetallic sulphides.

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¹ The Commission will meet twice in 2013. The first meeting will be held from 4 to 8 February 2013; the second meeting will be held from 8 to 19 July 2013. Unless otherwise indicated, the items in the provisional agenda will be taken up by the Commission at its first meeting.

² To be taken up during the July meeting.

³ Applications for approval of plans of work for exploration will be considered in the order of receipt.



C. Environmental implications of activities in the Area

10. Consideration of draft recommendations for the guidance of contractors for the assessment of the possible environmental impacts arising from exploration for marine minerals in the Area.

D. Regulatory activities of the Authority

11. Consideration of proposed amendments to the Regulations on prospecting and exploration for polymetallic nodules in the Area.
12. Consideration of issues relating to proposed regulations for exploitation of polymetallic nodules in the Area.

E. Other matters

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